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Dear Harold,

I was so pleased to receive your letter! You and Lil have had quite a year and we have been so worried about both of you and have kept you in our prayers.

I am so angry that someone entered your home, and breaking your beloved Hermes was horrible. I do hope it can be repaired so you can continue your work on your "friend".

It sounds like you are amazing the doctors once again. I'm not surprised — you're an amazing man! But do try to behave yourself and not overdo.

I hope you have found live-in help so that Lil can come home. It must have been very difficult to be apart. She's a special lady. I'm sorry she has gone through so much and pray she has been getting stronger. I only wish I knew someone in Maryland I could recommend to you.

I found this rainbow
and thought you could use it.

We are all fine here. Jason is growing and changing everyday. He is very proud of the picture we took of him at your typewriter last fall. He has a copy hanging in his room and tells everyone all about you and all the books you've written on that typewriter! (And about the crabcakes too!)

We are heading to southern California on vacation next week. That's where all of our relatives live. This summer is just going by too fast.

Much love and prayers to both you & Lil. and thanks again for the letter!

Best,

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